

#### What is a Rainforest?

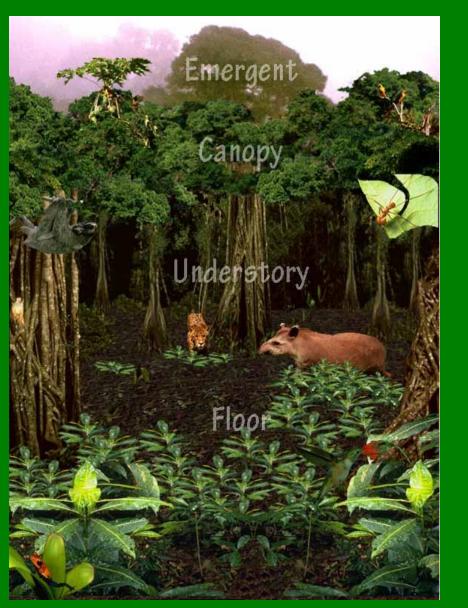
•Tropical rainforests are forests with tall trees, warm climate, and lots of rain. In some rainforests it rains more than one inch every day!

•Rainforests are found in Africa, Asia, Australia, and Central and South America.

•The largest rainforest in the world is the Amazon rainforest.



# **Do Rainforests have levels?**



Emergent Level

Canopy Level

The Understory

• The Forest Floor



## Why are rainforests important?

- Provide a home to many plants and animals.
- Help stabilize the world's climate
- Protect against flood, drought, and erosion
- Are a source for medicines and foods
- Support tribal people
- Interesting place to visit.





Rainforests are the source of many items that we all use in our own homes! We eat some food from the rainforest and many medicines are made from ingredients found only in these areas.





As many as 30 million species of plants and animals live in tropical rainforests. In fact, scientists believe that many have not been discovered and named yet . The rainforest is home to more than half of the world's animals. Colorful and unusual animals dwell in all four layers of the forest. All types of creatures are represented, from tiny insects to large mammals.





### Rainforests are being destroyed!



- Wood for both timber and wood for making fires
- Agriculture for both small and large farms
- Land for poor farmers who don't have anywhere else to live
- Grazing land for cattle
- Road construction



#### Rainforests are disappearing really fast.





# Thanks for the attention!!!

